GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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SCRAPPING OF SPINDLES LOOMS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Spinners Association has sought the help of the Government to scrap old spindles looms;

(b) whether the Government are aware that in India about 11 to 13 million spindles looms need to be scrapped; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the step taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) to (c) : The textile spinning sector consists of a total spindleage of 37 million in India, out of which 11 to 12 million are obsolete spindles and need to be scrapped. The Government of India, Ministry of Textiles has launched a Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) for Textile and Jute Industriesw.e.f. 01.04.1999 for a period of 5 years which, inter-alia, provides that in cotton ring spinning system, only modernisation of existing obsolete spindleage through technology upgradation would be permitted. The replaced old and obsolete spindles should ordinarily be scrapped and made completely unserviceable unless their operations are established to be viable.